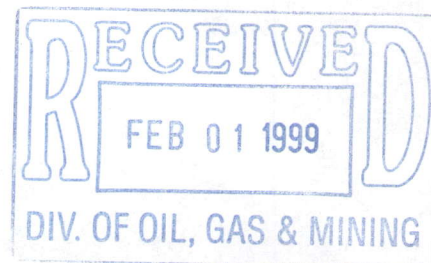


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ANNUAL REPORT OF MINING OPERATIONS

The informational requirements of this form are based on provisions of the Mined Land Reclamation Act, Title 40-8, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, and the General Rules as promulgated under the Utah Minerals Regulatory Program. An operator conducting mining operations under a Notice of Intention must file an annual operations and progress report (FORM MR-AR) with the Division.

I. General Information

1. Report Time Period: From (mo./yr.) 1-98 To (mo./yr.) 12-98
 2. DOGM File Number (Mine No): M / 015 / 061
 3. Mine Name: Last Chance
 4. Mineral(s) Mined (or permitted to mine): Sodium Bentonite
 5. Type of mine ☒ Surface Mine or ☐ Underground Mine
 6. Legal Description (Location of Lands Affected):
1/4, 1/4, 1/4, Section 16, Township 25 S, Range 6E
1/4, 1/4, 1/4, Section 32, Township 24 S, Range 6E
1/4, 1/4, 1/4, Section 2, Township 25 S, Range 5E
 7. Name of Operator or Company: Western Clay Company
 8. Permanent Street Address: 508 E, Center St.
City, State, Zip: Aurora, Utah 84620
Phone: 435-529-3281
 9. Company Representative (or designated operator):
Name: Fred or Neal Mortensen
Title: Officers, Western Clay Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 127
City, State, Zip: Aurora, Utah 84620
Phone: 435-529-3281
- ☒ Please check if any of the above information has changed since previous year.

II. Mining and Reclamation

1. Was there any mine related activity during the past year? Yes ☒ No ☐
2. If no - what was the last year of activity? _____
3. If yes - how much ore or mineral was mined? 6,382.55

4. Briefly describe the type of work performed, volume of material moved, and any new or additional surface disturbances that occurred during the past year.

Mining and hauling on existing disturbed area.

5. How much **additional acreage** was disturbed during the past year? - 0 -

6. How much acreage was **reclaimed** during the past year? - 0 -

7. Briefly describe the reclamation work performed during the past year. This description should include methods employed, and an evaluation of the results.

8. What is the **total** disturbed acreage of entire project at years end? same as last year 10

9. Briefly summarize any mining and/or reclamation plans for the upcoming year.

Western Clay plans to mine between 15,000 and 20,000 tons
on existing disturbed area.

NOTE: Section III., "Additional Information" applies only to **large mining operations**.

III. Additional Information

1. An updated surface facilities map should be attached if there have been significant changes since the previous map was submitted.
2. Any monitoring results or other reports that are required under the terms of the approved notice of intention should also be attached.

IV. Signature Requirement

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Name (Typed or Print):

Fred D. Mortensen

Title of Operator:

President; Western Clay Company

Signature of Operator:

Fred D. Mortensen

Date:

1-27-99

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